

REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is presented to place the application in proper form for examination and to eliminate multiple dependency from the present claims. No new matter has been added. Early examination and favorable consideration of the above-identified application is earnestly solicited.

Attached hereto is a mark-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made".

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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION AND CLAIMS SHOWING CHANGES

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 3, 5, 6, 9, 10 to read as follows:

3. A telecommunication system as claimed in claim 1 [or 2], wherein the said factors include the quality of at least part of both the first and second routes.

5. A telecommunications system as claimed in [any preceding] claim 1, wherein the said factors include the quality of radio communications between the first terminal and at least one of the first and second base stations.

6. A telecommunications system as claimed in [any preceding] claim 1, comprising quality estimation apparatus for estimating the quality of at least part of the first and second routes and providing an indication of that quality to the routing unit.

9. A telecommunications system as claimed in [any preceding] claim 1, wherein at least part of the first and second routes is implemented by packet-based communications links.

10. A cellular telephony telecommunications system employing the telecommunications system as claimed in [any preceding] claim 1.